

Canada Revenue Stamps Printer Unknown

Marines Will Get You At Stampex—Recruiting Station Set Up At Show

Announcement was made this week that the Committee in charge of STAMPDEX 1942 at Newark had allotted the stage of the Continental Auditorium, where the show is to be held, to Newark Detachment, Marine Corps League, for use as an auxiliary Marine Corps Recruiting Station during the show. Commandant Sambach of the Newark Detachment states that the Leagues will have a uniformed detail present to explain conditions of enlistment, etc., in the U. S. Marines to those who attend the show. The latest recruiting posters of the Marine Corps will be used to decorate the Recruiting station, and it is expected that pictures heretofore not released of actual fighting in the Pacific War Zone will also be displayed. This action by the Committee is in accordance with the policy of the sponsors of STAMPDEX to emphasize the service which philatelists can engage in to help the war effort. As previously announced the show is being put on for the benefit of the U. S. O., the Army and Navy Relief Societies, and the Red Cross, and service men and women in uniform will be admitted to the show without charge.

Numerous entries for the show have been received by the Committee and many more are expected before the closing date on October 16th. Exhibits will include, in addition to those previously announced, the following:—Albert S. Arnold's Paris Balloon Posts and also his "Kashmir," Lee H. Cornell's "Mule Herd" (kicking mule cancellations); Rodger A. Mathes' "Atlantic Defense Base Covers"; George VanBergan's "Marine Corps Cancellations"; Ernest A. Kehr's "Egypt," and many others of outstanding interest.

Chairman Foster of the Stampex Committee states that the success of the show, which will open at 2 p. m. on October 22nd, is assured. The Judges will view the exhibits on Friday, October 23rd, and awards (except the Popular Award Trophy) will be announced Saturday, October 24th. The Board of Judges will be: Ferrars H. Tows, Theodore E. Steinway, Stephen G. Rich, Frank A. Bickert, George D. Scudder, Albert S. Arnold and Robert Stone.

The show will run until October 25th. Several of the local collectors are arranging for a get-together dinner on Saturday evening and those who have attended affairs run by the Essex Stamp Club can expect a lively time will be had by all who are lucky enough to be included in the party.

Stamp Show Labels Go Patriotic



Setting the pace for Philatelic Labels of this present season is the one issued for STAMPDEX, big annual Newark, N. J. Show, to be held October 22nd to 25th. Patriotism is the theme of this label and the season should bring many others of like pattern. Collectors wanting this souvenir may obtain same by remitting 10c to Leo August, Chairman of Seal Committee, 128 Market Street, Newark, N. J.

Garfield-Perry Prexy Disclaims Club Activity In The Lybarger Nomination—Record Gives Facts

Always ready to print both sides of any question as any newspaper should we are pleased to print the following remarks from a letter from President LaGanke of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club.

"You will probably be receiving some letters from Cleveland as a result of your APS Politics article. As president of the Club I am interested in avoiding any possible division into sides on the matter, and want to call to your attention the fact that as a Club, they had nothing to do with the advancement of either prospective candidate. While some of the members were actively interested in the Lybarger candidacy, their actions were on their own and not as a Club activity. Under these conditions it is hardly fair to state that the Club as a whole 'dumped' Martin. To the best of my knowledge none of the present 'official family' with the exception of Vice President Hahn signed the petition. I understand you signed the petition but regardless of that, your present expose should result in greatly increased circulation among the APS Members if they become aware of the series of articles."

Mr. LaGanke is perfectly right in stating that we signed the Lybarger petition and under the same circumstances we would do so again. The act however needs an explanation to make the shoe fit where it belongs.

Prior to the A. P. S. Convention the word was printed in our paper as well as in other papers that Don Martin was slated for next president of the A. P. S. Anyone knowing Garfield-Perry Stamp Club activities would presume that the club would be behind any such movement for getting into politics of the A. P. S. has been something for which the club and individual club members are famous. In fact, some of the best known Garfield-Perry club members of the past were known best for their A. P. S. Political activities and seldom for any stamp collecting activities, for which high honors have been bestowed.

When we went to the A. P. S. Convention, and we did not land

Whether Waacs or Waves, these girls who volunteer for service under U. S. Army discipline should be accorded the same free mail franking privilege as given our men in the service.

It appears that such service had been in effect and that a recent order has been issued banning such service.

Whether the responsibility for this change rests with the Post-office Department or in other hands is a question we can not answer, but certainly there must be some champion of the ladies in Congress who will see that the matter is speedily remedied.

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—John D. Stanard*

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Due to the cost of production, the Society has been obliged to do it the cheaper way and the catalogue has been produced by the method of typewriting and then by photographic reproduction and

offset printing. Too often, work done by this method is so carelessly done that the result is a sloppy and unsightly job, but the producers of this catalogue deserve to be complimented because of the extreme care in the preparation of the original typewritten copy. The final result is excellent.

Illustrations are provided on a set of five full page halftone plates showing each of the different types of Canada's Revenue issues.

Anyone who has ever dabbled a bit with the revenue stamps of Canada well knows that these are among the most fascinating and interesting stamps of the world. The field is a quite extensive one, the stamps exceedingly attractive and interesting, because of the wide range of size, shape and color. Then too, the stamps have been quite plentiful in many issues, even the first issue being quite modest in price.

Taken as a whole, it would be difficult to select a group of stamps that would give one more pleasure and interest, with greater possibilities of building an attractive and fascinating collection than one can get from Canada's Revenue stamps.

Canadian Revenues were first issued August 18, 1864. This new catalogue makes the startling statement that the printer of the first issue of these stamps is unknown. Certainly a challenge to philately to learn this fact and doubtless a story that will some day be told.

As an example of what may be found in these interesting issues it is noted that the first issue consists of 17 varieties from 1c to 10c, 20, 30, 40 and 50c also \$1, \$2 and \$3.00. The catalogue value placed on these stamps runs from 2c for the cheaper values to \$1.50 for the 50c value which is the highest priced of the set, the entire set listing only \$6.45 for the 17 varieties.

Then the fun begins, for this set is known in four different compound perforations as well as imperf in all values.

Interesting plate varieties are also well known and add much opportunity for finds for the collector who studies his stamps.

The second issue of 1865 is no less interesting than the first and was produced by the American

Private perforations were also very much in demand, apparently. An ungummed unused horizontal pair of the 3 cent, violet, of the International Machine Company brought \$62.50, while a mint pair of the Alaska Yukon's, coiled sideways, brought \$125.

The 4-cent, brown, and 5-cent, blue, horizontal guide line blocks of four of the Schermack Company, unlisted, realized \$100 apiece, and a 5-cent, blue, Lincoln pair (No. 315) of the Schermack Type 2, went for \$110.

In the governmental coil section a guide line strip of four of the 5-cent (No. 317) realized \$190 and a paste-up strip of four of the same strip sold for \$210.

BETTER THAN NEVER

Dowagiac, Mich., September 11 1942—A number of Dowagiac residents were wished a Merry Christmas when the postman called.

Postal officials said a mail pouch containing the greetings was made up in Detroit last December 23 and by mistake was sent to the Grand Central station's mail depot in New York, where it was laid aside in the rush and confusion. Several days ago an employee discovered it among empty sacks and sent it on its way. —Dowagiac Press.

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Queens—Upside Down Pulp Paper Mag Prints Thrilling Stamp Story

Readers who stoop to the cheaper grade of Detective story fiction as exploited by the Pulp paper magazines will get an hour of interest out of a story in the November issue of "Private Detective Stories", written by E. Hoffman Price.

Too often, in stories about stamps appearing in magazines, they are ludicrous by the many inaccuracies and evident lack of knowledge of the subject by the author.

Not so in Queens—Upside Down for in this story Mr. Price gives evidence that he either has some knowledge of stamps or he at least took the trouble to contact a stamp man and get his main facts correct and the story laid in San Francisco starts off with a chance meeting at the exhibition of the Pacific Philatelic Club where a valuable stamp was stolen, the stamp being a copy of India No. 6 with the Queens head upside down, hence the title.

In the efforts of the detective to recover the stamp for the person who claimed to be the rightful owner, a plot to counterfeit surcharges on rare stamps is exposed and in this instance also, the author mentions a stamp that tallies with the facts when he refers to Hong Kong No. 31 with invert surcharge.

All in all the story is based on actual stamps and the author is to be congratulated on this fact alone. His remarks and mention of various philatelic accessories gives further evidence of the fact that he knew his subject which as we have remarked, is unusual in stories of this nature.

Coming Auction Sales Indicate Active Month

Auction catalogues at hand indicate an active month end in this field.

On October 23, 24, F. R. Ferryman holds a two day sale of 1223 lots of United States and foreign stamps and features a number of lots of a kind that are more and more appearing in stamp sales, items associated with stamps or the making of stamps. In this sale are many lots of Autographs, Banknotes and Engravings, which have a close association with stamps.

On October 24, Eugene Klein of Philadelphia will sell 604 lots of Foreign countries from Modena to Spain, the property of a California collector, also a U. S. Consignment.

On October 28th, the Ohlman Galleries in New York offer their 262nd sale with 717 lots. A feature of this sale is several specialized lots of single U. S. Stamps.

On October 28, 29, Hammer, Rooke and Co., Inc., of New York will sell the U. S. Collection formed by Henry L. Rosenfeld, Jr. The illustrations show a number of exceptionally choice blocks including a used block of nine of the 24c gray lilac of 1867, they place an estimated catalogue value of \$1000 on this piece.

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Mr. George Linn,
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Dear Mr. Linn:

Your story of the A. P. S. politics at Cleveland is interesting as I was there and heard what was going on. I do not belong to the A. P. S., because among other reasons I am just Yankee enough to want a reasonable return on my money and have never been convinced the A. P. S. could give it to me,—but I feel that I have an idea as to part of their troubles.

In any large organization, especially national in scope, where only a few people on a percentage basis ever get to the national meeting, political control inevitably settles in a small group. However, if every member is given a chance to nominate, and vote on the slate, then the returns means something and the society assumes National Stature and complexion, and local partisan control disappears.

Specifically, before every election (usually with the bill for annual dues) should be sent a business reply card or envelope requesting suggestions for nomination from the membership at large. The names suggested must be published, and the nominating committee uses these as a guide. This allows the lone member in Podunk to have a say. However, if anyone can get a group of signatures to a nomination, say 25, that nomination is binding on the committee in addition to any other choice they may make. Thus there can always be a contest. Usually there is no contest for president, the vice president or senior vice president being automatically advanced.

Now we have a slate, and to make sure it is voted on very member gets a voting blank accompanied by a 3 cent reply envelope, and then results are counted up in the usual way. Maybe all this is in the A. P. S. Constitution, and maybe it isn't. It seems to me voting there is a proxy business, and I even remember rumors from my former Ohio residence it was sometimes a foxy business. Control was in a Board of Trustees or Governors who usually were geographically associated with the officers in power, mostly around New York.

Such a set up as I have suggested would have prevented the unfortunate Lybarger nomination. Martin had not been nominated by other groups because they felt the HONOR belonged to Cleveland, and Cleveland lost their heads because of small town internal politics and muffed the ball.

No National Society should be so organized that viva voice nominations for officers can be made from the floor. The entire set up needs overhauling in order to interest stamp collectors in what should, and could, be our best national organization.

You are at liberty to publish my sentiments as an outsider's criticism. I don't think using my name would help and would rather you didn't. I think the best course might be to have some member amplify (and correct where necessary) my remarks as his own, and try and fix up the situation.

Sincerely yours,
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Soldier's mail from Camp Forrest, Tenn., (postoffice is at Tallahoma, Tenn., where both machine and hand stamp cancel is used) is returned to the sender unless the soldier's frank "Free" is written in longhand. During my recent stay in the Induction Center of this camp, I saw many letters with printed and fancy "Free" returned to senders. Speaking of "Induction" be sure to take a supply of postage stamps when you go for induction, as you have to have your official army number before you can frank your mail.

—John D. Stanard*

Pioneer Philatelic Phalanx

Col. Jno. A. Hooper, Field Commander,
623 W. Fifth St. Los Angeles, Calif.

Under this heading there will appear a weekly bulletin of philatelic news, solely written by or authorized by the Board of Governors. The Phalanx is composed of members of all the leading clubs, friendly to all, and does not admit controversial matters of any kind.

The Mound City Stamp Club, of St. Louis, Mo., sent invites to attend their meetings at the Melbourne Hotel, John A. Mayne President, Florence Langtin, Secy.

The Great Honor Roll of the Pioneer Philatelic Phalanx Honorary and life Members has now reached the 55th Battalion, to be published in November. The 56th Battalion was completed in August and September. This completes all those old-timers born in 1886 and 1887, excepting those enrolled during 1942, which will appear later.

Before leaving for the Southland Col. J. A. Hooper, our founder and field commander, received a very cordial invitation from the head offices of the Detroit & Canada Tunnel Corporation and the Union Guardian Trust Co., which stated, "Whilst you are in Detroit we would be pleased to have you pay us a visit and look your property over." Col. Hooper is one of the early owners of the tunnel, being both a bond holder and a stock holder, and was one of the speakers for the owners during the Great Lakes Waterways Convention some years ago, who opened the Detroit & Canada Tunnel.

A letter has been received from Miss Jessie Y. Cann, distinguished daughter of our 90-year old New Jersey honorary life veteran, Frank W. Cann, who will be 90 years old on November 5, 1942. We extend hearty congratulations to our worthy fraternal brother, and have delegated Rev. Paul Hickock, D. D., to present our felicitations to our honored Pioneer. Miss Cann who is a most distinguished Doctor in Chemistry, a Professor in three colleges, graduate of Smith and Goucher Hony. Member of the Amer. Chemical Socy., Amer. Physical Soc., Adv. Sc., N. Y. Academy, Eugene Field Soc., The Daughters of American Revolution, Phi. Beta Kappa and Sigma Chi, etc. Dr. Cann will take an honored position in our Ladies' Auxiliary in the coming 1943 Phalanx slate.

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SPECIAL NEWS FLASH

Our Field Commander reports visiting Chicago, Springfield, St. Louis, Fulton, Ky., and now at Memphis, Tenn. Reports of the South Central tour in Mississippi Louisiana, Texas and Arizona clubs visited will be given later. Preparations for a monster rally of the Philatelic Society of New Orleans, to which all philatelists are to be invited is a high spot. Other events scheduled are the address and exhibit to be given by Col. Hooper at the Panther City Philatelic Society of Fort Worth, Texas and the Dallas Stamp Collectors association, followed by the big Arizona conclaves at Tucson and Phoenix. The Phalanx

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GARFIELD—Perry PREXY DISCLAIMS ACTIVITIES

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there until Friday evening, we were talking over old times with Dr. Tubman on Saturday when George Hahn was actively circulating the Lybarger petition approached Dr. Tubman and asked him to sign the petition. Dr. Tubman said, "let Linn sign it, he is a member of the club" and then Dr. Tubman asked me to sign for him since he had been suffering from a broken hand which was not in suitable condition for writing.

At the same time, and before I had signed the petition I inquired as to why the change from Martin to Lybarger and Mr. Hahn advised me that I had been misinformed, that there never had been any plan to nominate Martin, that I simply had the names wrong, since "both men were known as "Don."

I have long known both Mr. Lybarger and Mr. Martin and I have a very high respect and regard for both gentlemen. Why then, if I had been misinformed, should I not help support the man whom I supposed was the choice of the club, since one of the more active club members was circulating the petition.

Regardless of whether the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club as a club claims or disclaims the responsibility for the nomination the record in the minutes of the Fifth session of the Convention on page 104 of the published proceedings seem to indicate that the Club did present the name. Mr. Hahn read the nomination petition and he said, "As an officer of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club and in the absence of the President of Garfield-Perry Stamp club I have taken the prerogative as vice president of presenting this nomination to the secretary, and it gives me great pleasure to read this paper."

Whether President LaGanke could not stomach the task of "knifing" his long time friend Don Martin or whether "Butch" was actually busy at some task for the convention is something we know nothing about, but it is clearly evident from the response made by Don Martin, that he was taken unawares, that he was caught unprepared and the response as it is worded is clear evidence of this fact, for certainly Don Martin could have prepared a much better statement than that which gushed from a choking throat, than the one printed in the proceedings of this convention.

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STAMPS and the FRENCH EMPIRE

BY S. H. NORRIS, B. A.
In Gibbons Stamp Weekly

Recent moves to obtain control of the French Colonies have focused attention on these territories. A stamp issued by France in 1940 in connection with the second French Colonial Exhibition depicts a map of the world, with the French Empire marked distinctively on it. This shows that the overseas possessions of France now lie mainly in West Africa. But the French once had an Empire in North America, although this was largely lost in the eighteenth century. Stamps, however, can be made to illustrate the story of both Empires.

The first French colony was Canada, which was discovered by Jacques Cartier, a French sailor from St. Malo, in 1534. The quartercentenary of his discovery was marked in 1934 by the issue of one Canadian and two French stamps. His portrait also appears on the 1 cent stamp of the Canadian set issued in 1908 to commemorate the founding of Quebec 300 years earlier; the 20 cent value shows his arrival before Quebec in 1535.

Quebec, formerly capital of Canada, was founded in 1608 by Samuel de Champlain, one of the great pioneers of French rule in North America. He discovered Lake Champlain and later became Governor of Canada, dying at Quebec in 1635. His portrait, with that of Cartier, appears on the 1 cent stamp of the Quebec commemoratives mentioned above; the 15 cent stamp depicts Champlain's departure for Canada, and the 5 cent value shows his house in Quebec.

French explorers from Canada reached the Gulf of Mexico via the Great Lakes and the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers; in 1680 the territory on both sides of these waterways was claimed by France and named Louisiana.

Fighting went on intermittently between the French and English colonies in America, but in 1759 General James Wolfe broke the French power in Canada by defeating Montcalm at Quebec.

The two generals, both killed in the battle, appear on the 7 cent value of the Canadian Quebec issue of 1908. At the Treaty of Paris in 1763 France ceded to Britain Canada and the territory on the east bank of the Mississippi; the west bank was soon after ceded to Spain, but was returned to the French in 1800, to be sold three years later to the United States. A special set of American stamps was issued in 1904 to mark the centenary of the Louisiana Purchase. The French colonial Empire in North America now consists solely of the islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon, which lie near Newfoundland.

The French once possessed many islands in the West Indies, such as St. Lucia and Grenada—familiar now as British colonies. But today their Empire is represented only by Guadeloupe and Martinique. The tercentenary of the French West Indies was commemorated in 1935 by the issue of special stamps for these two colonies and for French Guiana.

We must now turn to the new French colonial Empire. The first French settlement in West Africa was established in the Senegal region in 1626, but for a long time the colonies were little more than posts for the slave trade. French interest was roused by the exploration of Rene Caillie, who, traveling from Senegal by way of the Niger River, reached Timbuktu after many adventures (1828), and then journeyed across the desert to Morocco. Special stamps were issued last year by the colonies of French West Africa to commemorate the centenary of Caillie's death; they show his portrait and a map of French West Africa.

General Faidherbe, Governor of Senegal from 1854 to 1865, greatly strengthened the French position in West Africa. He annexed the coastal territory to the north and south of the Senegal River, and extended French rule to the Upper Niger. He died in 1889. His portrait appears on the low-value stamps issued in 1906 for all the French West African colonies.

In the eighties, campaigns against native kingdoms further extended French rule in the Niger area. In 1897-90 Captain Louis

Gustave Binger explored the land between the Ivory Coast and the Niger River; a set of special stamps was issued in 1937 by the Ivory Coast to mark the fiftieth anniversary of this expedition. Binger concluded treaties with the native chiefs, establishing French protectorates over this territory. The Ivory Coast was made a separate colony in 1893, with Binger as first Governor.

After a fierce struggle the native State of Dahomey was conquered in 1894. Four years later, the French linked up their North and West African territories by taking possession of North Central Sudan, and formally occupying the Sahara. Their West African possessions were completed soon after by the establishment of a protectorate over the Moorish tribes in Mauritania.

The various administrative changes in French West Africa have their repercussions on the stamps of the different colonies. The whole area was constituted in 1895 as French West Africa under the rule of a Governor-General; it was divided into colonies, each under a Lieutenant-Governor. One of these divisions, French Sudan, was abolished in October, 1899; the greater part went to form a new division, the Senegambia and Niger Territories. Hence stamps for French Sudan disappeared, and we find those for Senegambia and Niger in their place. The latter did not remain in existence long, for in 1904 the colony of Upper Senegal and Niger was carved out of it, with consequent changes in the stamps. This was part of a complete reorganization of French West Africa which took place between 1902 and 1909; henceforth the area was divided into the colonies of Senegal, French Guinea, Ivory Coast, Dahomey, Mauritania and Upper Senegal and Niger. It is interesting to note that the stamps for these colonies have since been inscribed "Afrique Occidentale Francaise" in addition to the name of the actual colony.

In 1919 a part of Upper Senegal and Niger was made a separate colony as Upper Volta, which thus made its philatelic debut. Two years later Upper Senegal and Niger was divided into the two colonies of French Sudan (an old name revived) and the Niger Territory. One more change was to come when in 1933 Upper Volta disappeared, its territory being divided between Niger, Sudan and the Ivory Coast. The philatelic career of two colonies thus came to an end; French Sudan reappeared, and Niger came on to the scene for the first time.

French Equatorial Africa, which has recently declared in favour of General de Gaulle, dates from 1830, when Captain Bouet-Willaumez obtained for the French the right of residence on the Gaboon estuary; stamps, with a portrait of the captain, were issued in 1930 to mark the centenary of this event. Many years later (1875-78) Count Savorgnan de Brazza, portrayed on many stamps of Equatorial Africa, explored the Ogowe River; in 1880 he proceeded to explore the Congo River, making treaties with native chiefs, and extending French rule. In 1888 the territory in this region was constituted as the colony of French Congo, with de Brazza as Commissioner-General—an office which held until 1898. Stamps which had already been issued for Gaboon were temporarily superseded by those inscribed "Congo Francais."

Meanwhile other Frenchmen were exploring the Oubangai River; one of them, Paul Crampel, pushed forward up the Chari River, but was killed by natives in 1891. Soon after, another explorer, Emille Gentil, sailed up the Chari

to Lake Tchad. Both Crampel and Gentil have appeared on stamps recently issued by French Equatorial Africa.

The colony of French Congo was reorganized in 1904. The whole area was placed under a Governor-General and was divided into the colonies of Gaboon and Middle Congo, and the military territories of Oubangai-Chari and Tchad. As a result the stamps of French Congo were replaced by separate issues for Gaboon and Middle Congo, the latter being also used for some years in Oubangai-Chari and Tchad. Gentil was the first Governor of French Congo under the new scheme, resigning in 1908.

In 1910 the name of the area was changed from French Congo to French Equatorial Africa. A combined issue for Oubangai-Chari-Tchad made its appearance in 1916, the stamps of the Middle Congo being overprinted for the purpose. Four years later, however, this territory was divided into the two colonies of Oubangai-Chari and Tchad, and stamps of the Middle Congo were overprinted accordingly. The separate issues for Gaboon, Middle Congo, Oubangai-Chari and Tchad have since been superseded by a common issue for the whole of French Equatorial Africa.

The first French possession in North Africa was Algiers. As a result of insults offered to their envoy by the Dey of Algiers the French in 1830 invaded the country and soon captured Algiers. The centenary of this event was marked by the issue of one French stamp and a whole set for Algeria. By 1848 the French had conquered all Algeria, which was declared French territory and divided into three departments.

Last year Algeria issued an interesting set of stamps in aid of the Sahara Pioneers' Fund. These stamps, all of one design, show Caillie, Lavigerie and Duveyrier. The explorations of Rene Caillie have already been described. Cardinal Lavigerie founded the Mission of White Fathers to convert the African natives; they settled in Algeria and Tunis and also in West Africa. Duveyrier made important journeys into the Sahara and gathered much information about the Tuareg tribes.

Tunis was not acquired until 1881. In that year the French, invading Tunisia on a somewhat flimsy excuse, forced the Bey to accept French protection.

In 1904 the British recognized Morocco as a French sphere of influence. Germany, however, was hostile; but in 1911 she recognized a French protectorate over Morocco in return for territorial compensation in the Cameroons. Soon after we find the Moroccan stamps overprinted "Protectorat Francais". In 1912 Marshal Lyautey was sent to Morocco as Resident-general to restore order. During his term of office, which last-

ed until 1923, he pacified the country and developed its resources. A portrait of Lyautey appears on a set of stamps issued in 1935 in connection with a Memorial Fund.

The only French colony in East Africa, the Somali Coast, began in 1862 with the purchase from a native chief of the Bay of Obok, which was not, however, properly occupied until 1883. Lagarde, who became Governor of Obok in 1887—see his portrait on the stamps of the Somali Coast issued in 1939—greatly developed the colony; he founded the port of Djibouti in 1888, and later he in Abyssinia to agree to the Djibouti-Addis Ababa railway. Separate stamps were at first issued for Obok and Djibouti, but in 1902 they were superseded by a common issue for French Somaliland.

The French first established a settlement in Madagascar about 1640, but little progress was made until the last century. Ranavalona, Queen of Madagascar from 1828 to 1861, regarded all foreigners with hostility, but a French sailor, named Jean Laborde, won her favour. On her death, he became French Consul, dying in 1878. His portrait appears on stamps issued in 1938 to mark the sixtieth anniversary of his death.

As a result of the war of 1883-86 the French established themselves on Diego Suarez Bay, and soon after they took the Comora Islands under their protection. After a second war Madagascar was annexed by the French (1896). The first Governor, General Gallieni, completed the subjugation of the island and developed its economic resources, resigning in 1905; he distinguished himself later at the Battle of the Marne in 1914. He has been honoured philatelically by Madagascar—see also the French War Charities stamps issued recently.



At the height of her glory, France held an International Exposition in Paris in 1937. Special sets of six stamps were issued for the various Colonies, that for French India, being illustrated. Other sets were of the same design for different colonies.

Separate stamps were at first issued for the different French settlements in Madagascar, such as Diego Suarez and Nossi-Be, but with the conquest of the island, these were replaced by a general issue. Some of the Comoro Islands—Anjouan, Grand Comoro, Mayotte and Moheli—also had their own stamps for a time, but when the islands were incorporated with the colony of Madagascar their separate stamps ceased.

French Indo-China originally consisted of five distinct parts—Cochin-China, and the protectorates of Annam, Cambodia, Tongking and Laos; but in 1887, the Governor-General of Indo-China was appointed to administer the whole area. President Paul Doumer of France (who was murdered in 1932) governed Indo-China from 1897 to 1902; he has appeared on the stamps of both France and Indo-China.

Of the French possessions in the Southern Pacific, New Caledonia was acquired in 1853; the Wallis and Futuna Islands, formerly a dependency, became a separate colony in 1917 and now have their own stamps. The New Hebrides are administered jointly by the British and French, both nations issuing stamps for the islands. Tahiti formerly had its own stamps, but now uses an issue common to all the Oceanic Settlements.

In conclusion, mention must be made of the territories ruled by the French under League of Nations Mandate. Togo and Cameroons, in Africa, were formerly German colonies. Syria (including the Alouites or Latakia, which at first had separate stamps) and Great Lebanon originally belonged to Turkey, and are now semi-independent republics.

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KILLING THE GOOSE THAT LAYS THE GOLDEN EGG

To better explain the remarks we wish to make here, we are quoting a portion of a letter just received from what we presume to be a new or beginning collector. The letter comes from Philadelphia and certainly there should be some source in a city of this size where the writer could get advice and information that would guide him rightly, yet many such letters have come to our office in years past. The letter starts off with enclosing a subscription to our paper, indicating an interest on the part of the writer and leading to the belief that the writer expects and hopes to become an active stamp collector, yet is discouraged and led to question the advisability of continuing to follow his hobby.

Every year there are hundreds who have this same experience and no one knows how many good stamp customers are discouraged and ruined by their early experiences with misguided people who pose as stamp dealer and in this instance the dealer complained of is one who is reputed to employ over 100 persons in the operation of a business that is based almost wholly on sales to beginners, sales made and built up principally on the so called unsolicited approval business.

Let us quote from this letter first and then continue with our argument.

Quote: "I received approvals from the M--- S--- Co. of ---. They sent me a cancelled set of 22 var. of Tannou Touva. They are listed in Scotts Cat. as never been postally used. I sent same to Scott for information on cancels. They informed me that the cancels had been made to order. The worst of it is they wanted 75c for the set. I think something should be done about the sale of stamps like this. I always was of the idea that the stamp game was on the up and up. If dealers are allowed to put this kind of stuff on the market a lot of people will lose faith in their belief."

In recent months the American Philatelic Society, in its ambition to do something spectacular, has invited several stamp dealers to "get out" of the society. We happen to know this to be a fact in several instances and in some of them we hold the belief that the dealers concerned have been far above the class as referred to in the above letter, we mean that although these dealers have been in the habit of sending unsolicited approvals, they also maintain an advanced business that caters to the better grade collector and hold an interest in building up real collectors rather than taking the nickles from the beginner and never caring whether this individual becomes a future philatelist or not.

While we recognize the fact that unsolicited approvals are probably not the most proper way to exploit ones' business, we will maintain that the practice, if done in a decent manner is one that can and will build future philatelists. It is claimed to be an abuse, but if done in a decent manner is of far less harm than many other things that could be more readily cleared up. The greatest abuse about unsolicited approvals is the abuse of that act. If a dealer sends unsolicited approvals and will stick firmly to clean and legitimate methods in the act, sending only recognized stamps, decent copies at decent prices, he is doing an act that can lead to much benefit for the hobby. The experienced dealer who practices this method is usually well enough acquainted with his business that he does not send such material to names that sound judgement should tell him, are advanced and experienced collectors. It is only the type that are set up in business with these \$5 and \$10 and \$25 dealer stocks that make the mistake of mailing unsolicited approvals to new applicants for membership in the APS and such other organizations.

It is the dealer who devotes his entire business to the unsolicited approval trade, who thinks nothing of sticking on his sheets anything that has perforated edges and may look like a postage stamp, that is to be condemned. If this dealer would be decent enough to make it a rule of his business that every stamp on his sheets is a recognized and legitimate issue, that every stamp is priced fairly, that stamps are in good collector condition, then the dealer would in our estimation be doing a service to our hobby, for certainly an unsolicited approval if first sent with return postage, as most of them are by dealers who have a decent respect for fair dealing, we can see no sound reason to condemn this practice any more than we can condemn the door knob twisting of unsolicited salesmen for any line of business, turning the knob of our office and expecting to get a few minutes of our time in trying to sell us an unexpurgated edition of Dr. Eliots Five Foot Book Shelf.

Let the APS strike at the source of this trash. It is first the wholesale dealers who market this material. Why not make a list of this trash, print a list in the American Philatelist and print a list of the wholesalers who are filling the market with trash of this type and demand that they discontinue the practice. Better still, let us go farther, let us set up a pledge for respectable stamp dealers to adhere to. Let us ask dealers to sign a pledge that in their stamp dealing they will offer for sale nothing but fully recognized issues.

Most wholesale catalogues are littered with questionable material and certainly there are plenty of real stamps without stooping to traffic in the trash that is so frequently offered.

At the same time, we recognize the fact that there are certain

facts which would be difficult to get around, but the sale of such material can be confined to supplying the wants of advanced collectors who recognize the material for what it is and who would be willing to buy it knowing it for what it is.

Personally, we do not condemn these Tannou Touva stamps so much as we might condemn other things that are currently offered for disregarding the statement by Scott, we do know that certain of these stamps have come legitimately through the mails. We have had them on covers to our own address, directly through the mails from abroad, thus all can not be condemned alike.

The matter should however rest with the dealer who should use every effort to lead these new collectors along the right path by offering them only recognized and legitimate issues, leaving the questionable item for sale to those collectors when their own experience and judgement will be sufficient to guide them in their purchase of such material, for experienced collectors who become interested in the countries from which such trash does come, will want such material as a part of any thorough collection and showing of the stamps of such countries.

After all, nothing can cleanse the stamp business so thoroughly and so effectively as a sound code of ethics to which respectable dealers could gladly subscribe.

METERS

Correspondence and news matter concerning this department should be addressed to the department editor.

ALTHEA HARVEY

4 Park Ave., Windsor, Connecticut

Since mentioning in this column a few weeks ago a desire to learn more about Canada's free mail, I have received a group of free covers showing the various postal markings used on O. H. M. S. mail. Primarily my interest lies in the departmental permits, but I found all the varieties worth a study.

These permits do not have numbers like those in the United States, for in the space to the right of the town circle is the name of the official who is allowed this special privilege. There are two quite common permits, one of which is John A. Sullivan from the Canada post office and the other is "Edmond Cloutier, King's Printer, Imprimeur Du Roi." There are two types of the Sullivan permit, the former type has four wavy lines with "Official—Free" between them and the signature below and the newer type has two straight lines with "Free—Franco" between them and the signature beneath. In May 1940 and some months afterwards, J. V. Patenaude's name appeared as King's Printer.

Other permits include "P. E. Woodhouse, Deputy Minister Department of Pensions & National Health" and "C. H. Bland, Chairman Civil Service Commission of Canada." A still different variety of permit is the type which has "Official Free" with a broken line between these words instead of two short dashes. This appears from the Department of Transport with "V. I. Smart's" name on it and "C. P. Edwards" at a later date. The Dominion Bureau of Statistics permit omits the lines to the right of the town circle and uses just the signature as "L. D. Wilgress." A similar one bears the name of "S. T. Wood" as "Commissioner R. C. M. Police."

The modernistic meter of the 140000series which corresponds to our KK type is also used on free mail with the signature to the right of the meter in the case of "The de Carteret Air Service." There is no postage required so the indicia shows .00 postage. The Director of Public Information uses meter 140284 with the official signature practically illegible.

Some of the other types of free covers bear rubber stamp signatures in upper right hand corner while some have the actual signature much as our free soldier's mail. There are round cancellations like "Department of the Interior Free H. H. Rowatt AM My 27-33 Free" and "House of Commons Chamber des Communes Free Franco." My thanks go to A. B. McNeill of Victoria, British Columbia for this free material. Any additions to

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Many of these labels are put out by individual business firms and such seem to be among the scarcest and hardest to find. The more common ones are those produced by manufacturers for sale for general use on mail and in other manners. These however are of such wide variety and come in so many different sizes, shapes and in different printing methods, that they make a very fascinating and attractive group.

Such labels used on covers by no means make a patriotic cover, at least not on that knowing collectors will fall for at high prices in the future for anyone can paste such labels on any cover they may pick up.

Thus it would seem that a collection of patriotic labels off cover principally to show the trend of the times would be the logical way in which to gather these labels and a collection of a large number of varieties can be readily made.

In starting a collection of such labels, it might be desirable to buy them from dealers who offer them in all different packets and such a packet is offered by Ben L. Morris, of Bellaire, Ohio. Mr. Morris has handled labels, seals etc. for a number of years and these new labels fit right into his line.

A sample packet at hand shows an interesting collection with many new ones that we have not previously found on our daily mail.

this data would be very welcome.

L. R. Sheridan, meter collector from Albuquerque won a first prize in the patriotic section of the exhibit at the New Mexico State Fair for his frame of meter slogans, the only meters shown there. This is indeed encouraging news for the meter collector who has to compete with other philatelic exhibits, so show your meters at your local club this season.

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This meeting, which will be featured by a philatelic talk of unusual significance, music, entertainment, refreshments, door prizes, valuable free souvenirs and, if sufficient demand develops a brilliant, spectacular fire-works display depicting the Fall of Pompei, will be open to all collectors in the Chicago area. And to prove that the best things in life really are free, the sole requirement for admission will be a ticket which may be obtained gratis by a request addressed to the Hawthorne Stamp Club, Hawthorne Station, Chicago, Illinois. Secretaries of stamp clubs may send in a single request for tickets for all their members who intend to attend the meeting.

If you have a taste for philatelic facts, fun and phantasy, come a 'runnin' peoples—it's all free.

All This We Get From Stamps—Can Any Other Hobby Offer As Much?

A new handy and compact 40 page pocket price list of United States stamps is just at hand from George W. Wentz Jr., of San Marcos, Texas. Like all good price lists it has a thorough showing of United States Postage stamps including Air Mail, Dues, Specials Officials and Revenues.

The list is compact and handy and as for prices, they will have to speak for themselves. One of the interesting parts of the list is the claim that its publisher makes for the hobby of stamp collecting and this claim is so good that we are quoting it herewith. Can any other Hobby offer its followers so much?

Mr. Wentz says: "I wish I could come right into your home along with this catalog. We would enjoy talking about the amazing 'Hobby of Kings; the King of Hobbies.'

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FUNNY POSTAL RATES

Gordon O. Boothroyd of Syracuse, N. Y. calls attention to queer postage rates and says it costs more to mail a 9 ounce package from New York to California, that it would cost to mail 16 ounces equally divided into two parcels. It's true too for 9 ounces must pay a full pound rate whereas 8 ounces is under parcel post minimum and mails for 6c for each package.

Wasted money is wasted lives. Don't waste precious lives. Every dollar you can spare should be used to buy War Bonds. Buy your ten percent every pay day.

DETROIT NEWS

By Don R. Heath

At the first regular meeting of the season of 1942-43, the Detroit Philatelic Society was entertained at the University Club by Messrs. A. C. and Martin B. Hutchinson. There were about thirty present at this gathering and the usual fine dinner and evening's social affairs were much enjoyed. Mr. A. C. Hutchinson had on display about a dozen albums of very fine U. S. including his proofs.

This being the first business meeting, the club election was held, resulting in Russell A. Cowles, being placed in the chair as President, Robert C. Simpson, as Vice President and Allan F. Schmalzriedt as Secretary and Treasurer.

The Wayne Stamp Society has been given a "shot in the arm" at a meeting held October 8th at the St. Clair Community Center, (4535 Fairview) which was attended by about twenty collectors, it was decided to bring the old club to life. In as much as the Society was organized in 1925 it was considered an asset to have age back of them, so the old name was continued. The officers elected were: President, Roland A. Brooks; Vice President, Brace Hollings; Secretary-Treasurer, Ward Alkema, whose address is 1410 Lakepointe Ave., Grosse Pointe Park, Mich.

As there is no meeting place problem, and having facilities for meetings, exhibitions, lunches etc. available without cost to the club, the dues for membership are very low, so the advantage of belonging to a club of this kind are open to almost any one who cares to join. They meet the second and fourth Thursday evenings of each month at 4535 Fairview Ave.

Gimbel's Supply Demand For Patriotic Stationery

One of the rules for success in any line of business is to be ever on the alert and anticipate the demands of the public. This can be applied alike to stamp collecting and to stamp-collectors needs and desires as well as to any other commodity or line of business.

Stamp dealers as a whole have shown too much inclination to follow the old pattern of business, to let well enough alone. However, from time to time some newcomer imbued with the spirit of progress and development enters into the field and does things which less wide awake dealers soon follow and copy and it is by such processes that development and advancement in stamp dealing and stamp sales methods come about.

The biggest manufacturer of horse drawn buggies in America failed in business because he was too nearsighted to see that the gasoline buggy was coming. He steadfastly refused to accept that fact and as a result his business fell by the wayside.

One does not have to look back very far to the date when a stamp department was opened in the big Gimbel store in New York City and one can count many startling innovations in stamp dealing, that can be traced to the active management of Jacques Minkus, the manager of this stamp store, the largest of its kind in the world.

Patriotic envelopes have been featured by several dealers since long before Pearl Harbor, but it remained for all of them to neglect the opportunity of supplying the public with suitable illustrated Patriotic Stationery to match the envelopes.

This situation has since been remedied by the production of a line of pictorial patriotic stationery to match the new line of pictorial prize winning patriotic envelopes that were recently put on the market by Gimbel's Stamp Department. The designs are identical with the envelopes, but in smaller size, thus fitting snugly in the corner of the sheets of paper and the two pieces make a combination that has met with popular favor all over America.

American Troops In India Claim Treasury Officials Murdered Santa Claus

The following UP news item sent by Adam Gruenig and dated at New Delhi, India, September 25th, leads one to suggest that the boys abroad might send home postage stamps and make a lot of new collectors, thus avoiding unpleasant custom duties.

Exactly three months before Christmas, to be sure their Christmas worrying is neither too little nor too late, the Yanks in this part of the world aimed a broadside at Washington today with the charge: "Treasury department murders Santa Claus."

Those words were splashed in big type across five columns in the second issue of the CBI Round up, soldier newspaper of American troops in the China-Burma-India area.

The main story reported that a recent radio message from the war department says the troops may send Christmas packages home if they wish—but there will be no exemption from custom duties.

An editorial page cartoon shows a United States customs man hovering like an evil genie over a ship ploughing the ocean with Christmas gifts while a soldier glowers on this side of the water.

A poem pleads: "No duty on our booty."

And an article headed "Please, Mr. Morgenthau" says:

"It will look sort of silly to our girl friends if they get the jade bracelets we sent with treasury due bills for \$15 each attached."

In another vein, the paper contains greetings to the troops from Lieutenant General Joseph W. Stilwell, chief of staff of Allied forces in China, who wrote:

"I know what you all want—some action—and I'm doing my best to make it come out that way."

DID YOU KNOW?

THAT stamps are turned out in Great Britain at the rate of 5,760,000 stamps per hour. Every sheet has to be examined by hand and each piece of scrap paper accounted for, even the tiny pieces left by the perforating machine are collected and repulped. In this way more than ten tons of waste paper has been saved.

THAT Sacramento, Cal., had its first Post Office on board a sailing ship anchored in the water.

THAT the postal employees of China, in cities invaded and taken over by the Japanese, still receive their orders from the Chinese. Chinese letter carriers are permitted to pass through the Jap lines unmolested.

THAT for twenty years the United States has used unwatermarked paper for postage stamps but revenue designs were still issued on watermarked paper.

THAT the first nation in the Western Hemisphere to issue postage stamps was Brazil. They issued stamps in 1843 with the designs resembling targets.

THAT a library ceiling in London, England, was papered with eighty thousand one penny red postage stamps. The library ceiling became one of the show spots of London nearly a century ago.

THAT in China bamboo rafts are often used to float mails down the rivers and the bamboo is sold for lumber at the end of the trip.

Illustrations of a number of these new envelopes and paper were in an advertisement by Gimbel's in the issue of this paper for last week and collectors of Patriotic covers will want to add the stationery to their collections also.



BY KENNETH M. GIERHART
Baltimore, Ohio

From Jerry Lapin comes the new 1c Rockville Center Defense, also the new 1c Presidential coil from Jamaica. Jerry has the 3c Defense from Jamaica in U-12N. —From other sources, I have the 17c Kansas City narrow bureau and the 3c Rochester Pres. coil, also a bureau.—Incidentally the above mentioned Kansas City and Rockville Center are both in two line of type, formerly they were in three lines in the B-13 style. It seems now we can assume that there will be no more three line style of bureau cancellations in the new narrow types.—C. C. Fisher informs me that the 14c coils are still in the Post Office at Washington, D. C.—This is the 3c Stuart coil.—We have seen the Albany and Dallas Win the War bureaus.

Ohio Towns.

Here is a list of new OHIO towns as supplied by C. E. Reed of Cleveland. These towns have actually been seen and can be added to your lists. Arcadia 120, Benton Ridge 87, Pennsville 121, Racine 122, Rosburg 120, Rudolph 120, St. Louisville 21A, Uniontown 87.

Pressure Off

Last week I had an illustration of what happens when the "pressure" is off of certain items. I bought a 13c Apple Green precancelled Aberdeen S. D. U 3 type for 12c. This was in a book and offered by a collector who knew what he was doing but in order to readily move the material he priced it at such figures. Time was when this particular stamp brought perhaps 25c when a used copy would do well to bring a nickel, now any ordinary used copy brings 25c and precancelled often less. This does not mean that the stamps precancelled are more common but just that the collectors are going after other things. After every flurry the old good stuff returns to its own and if you can pick up nice B copies of 13c apple greens at 12 to 15c I think you will be making a good investment.

Precancelled Postage Stamps in Sheets and Coils Issued in September 1942.

San Francisco, Cal., 1c Defense sheet.

OAKLAND, IOWA, 1c Pres. coil.

Haverhill, Mass., 1c Defense sheet.

Newark, N. J., 25c Pres. sheet.

Jamaica, N. Y., 1c Pres. coil

Cincinnati, Ohio, 20c Pres sheet.

Philadelphia, Pa., 10c Pres. sheet.

Dallas, Texas, 10c Pres. sheet.

Fairmont, W. Va., 1c Defense sheet.

LaCross, Wis., 1c Defense sheet.

New Post Offices Authorized to Sell Precancelled Stamps in September 1942: Grafton, Ill., Rouses Point, N. Y., Palco, Kans., Beachlake, Pa., Wilmore, Kans., Brackenridge Pa., Coffey, Mo., Middletown, Pa., Maryland Height Mo., Yukon, Pa., Chesterfield, N. Hamp., Myrtle Beach, S. Car., Finesville, N. J., Volin, S. Dak., Bedford, N. Y., Danby, Vt., Faust, N. Y., Stitzer, Wis., Newtonville, N. Y., Farson, Wyo.

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Collectors of Meter slogans would probably get all enthused over the cover that has come to our office from W. C. Sharp, of Kannapolis, N. Car. Mr. Sharp clipped patriotic meter slogans from eleven different meters and pasted the slogans all on the front of one envelope and then framed them in with inked lines. The imprints are all red and blue and the whole group on the face of a single large envelope leaves barely room for the stamp and the address, but what a cover it makes.

Incidentally Mr. Sharp wants to know the location of the U. S. O. Club nearest to his home city of Kannapolis. We have a list of 25 U. S. O. Clubs in North Carolina, but no means of knowing which is nearest Kannapolis. If any reader can advise him, a postal card will be sufficient.

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U. S. Commemorative Stamp Facts

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THE 2C SULLIVAN

This stamp was issued to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Sullivan Campaign in 1779, which, according to the New York State Legislature, "weakened the Indian alliance with the British, cut off supplies of food, gave protection to frontier settlements, opened the western part of the state for settlement, and helped to win for the American Republic the rich interior of the continent."

Its history is rather amusing. The sponsors of the stamp got into a row with Postmaster General New and he refused them a stamp. After his resignation the new P. M. G. was prevailed on to issue one. Perry and Genesee, N. Y., were scheduled as the first day cities but the stamps did not reach Perry until 10:30 on the morning of issue and first day cancellations were continued for twenty four hours. Indignant congressman insisted that their home towns be included in the first day sale, with the result that 13 additional cities were added.

The 2c—Maj. Genl. Sullivan—appeared on June 17, 1929, in carmine rose or lake, perf, 11, no wmk., and with no known minor varieties. The engraving is from

a picture in the files of the Congressional Library. 51,452,880 were issued from flat plates 19783, 84, 85 and 19786.

First day covers from Auburn, Binghamton, Canajoharie, Elmira, Geneva, Genesee, Horseheads, Oswego, Penn Yan, Perry, Seneca Falls, Waterloo, Watkins Glen and Waverly, all in New York state.

Many of the old timers will remember W. Kelsey Hall, formerly of Rhode Island and a stamp dealer. He is at present confined to a hospital at 130 Dunn avenue, Toronto, Canada, and doubtless a letter from any old friend would bring cheer at this time. No immediate response can be expected.

Sixth Green Sale Runs Five Days In Rooms Of Harmer, Rooke & Co., Inc.

The sixth of the scheduled seven sales of the collections of the late Colonel E. H. R. Green is scheduled for November 17th to 21st in the palatial sales rooms of Harmer, Rooke & Co., Inc. at 551 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Sales held thus far have all exceeded the estimates of the auction houses which held them and this coming sale will doubtless reach new heights because of the fact that a sale of 2,000 lots is spread over a five day period, which allows ample time for careful examination of the lots and the splendid catalogues of the Harmer, Rooke brand will lend to this result. Many auction houses attempt to crowd from seven to eight hundred or more lots into a single session which means speed in knocking the lots down and results in lower prices than would come with a more leisurely offering.

Again, we can only advise collectors who are looking for wanted items that these sales offer

the best opportunity that will come during this season, for about everything will be found in them and altho the sellers usually stress the rarities in their announcements, the sales are filled with the modestly priced stamps as well.

Surely the high prices realized thus far at the Green Sales should give the go ahead signal to the administrators and other material of which there is a great quantity should be offered in coming months, with even higher prices.

Catalogues of this sixth sale by Harmer, Rooke & Co., are announced in an advertisement in this issue of the News.

Red Shield Hut, Project Of Salvation Army, Feature Of Australian War Covers

An interesting cover comes from an American soldier in Australia. The cover is of distinctive Australian flavor, for the envelope is of the smaller type, much used in this and other British colonies, and foreign countries. It has an outline map of Australia in the upper left corner inside of which is a red shield

with letters in white, "The Salvation Army." Below the map outline is the wording "RED SHIELD HUTS" in capitals and "for Australian Troops." Evidence that the Salvation Army is doing the same work in this war that it did in France in the first World War, the same work that the USO is doing for our American boys.

It appears that the letter that came in this cover must have been written and censored in one of these huts since it comes in a cover from one of them, and also because the censor marking is in manuscript with no trace of any handstamped markings of any sort. However the cancellation is that of the American Base Forces with A. P. O. 921 plainly showing in the cancellation which again brings up the question as to just where the APO Numbers have been banned.

This cover, postmarked August 24, reached Sidney on October 13th.

A handsome piece of patriotic stationery is that of the Signal Corps at Camp Crowder, Missouri. Collectors wishing a specimen for their collection may obtain same by sending a 3c stamped addressed envelope to Richard L. Kirchhoff, S. C. R. T. C. Band, Camp Crowder, Mo.

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WHOLESALE APPROVALS: PICTORIAL stamps and sets per 10 against references. Santo 590-L Fort Washington Avenue, New York, N. Y. (12)

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Patriotic Labels Do Not Make A Patriotic Cover A Warning To Collectors

This is written with the thought that it may arouse certain collectors to a realization that a lot of covers which they may prize as patriotic covers, may be classed as of little value in future recordings of such covers.

One naturally thinks of a cover with an attractive label on same as being a patriotic cover if the label is of the Patriotic type. Such however is not the case if you want to get right down to facts. It should be evident to anyone that such covers can be manufactured by the thousands from daily mail of any waste basket.

It should be very evident to you that anyone can take a patriotic label and paste it on any cover he may pick up and who is there to say that the label was not originally placed on the envelope before mailing. Due to this fact, wise collectors will refuse to accept and include covers. If, however, the label is on the envelope in a position where the cancellation may tie it to the cover, then it can be accepted as a patriotic cover.

Other than this, such covers surely are in another class and might be collected solely to show examples of patriotic labels and along with a collection of such labels off of cover.

British Dealers Stand In Line For Advertising Space In Stamp Magazine

The following from the Philatelic Magazine, one of the leading British Philatelic Journals would seem to be a most astounding announcement.

Is Your Advertisement Really Necessary?

"Thirty advertisements have had to be refused for this issue, and we have a waiting list of twelve dealers who want space as soon as we are in a position to let them have it. They will be dealt with in priority of receipt. Contracts have to be honoured, but as they fall due for renewal shortage of paper compels us to give preference to small spaces, so that we may satisfy the greatest number. As the Paper Controller will only grant us supplies for three months at a time, we cannot guarantee spaces for a longer period. If you want space in 1943, now is the time to join the queue."

The paper in question consists of 24 pages, sixteen of which are filled with advertisements and but 8 pages of stamp news. This would indicate an extremely healthy stamp trade in England and should encourage doubting collectors in this country, for what better place to put surplus cash than into good stamps.

The situation might also arise in this country and dealers in America who have at times looked with question on the efforts of American publishers to conduct publications on a legitimate basis, by strict use of advertising contracts, may find that there is an advantage in such methods.

Exhibition Directors Urge Sale And Display Of War Savings Stamps

New York, October 8.—The directors of the Association for Stamp Exhibitions, Inc., at its quarterly meeting held last week, voted to purchase another \$1,000 worth of war bonds, bringing its total to \$11,000.

It was also resolved that the sale and display of war savings stamps should be a feature of all stamp exhibitions during the present war as a philatelic contribution to the country's victory effort.

Anonymous Writer Dishes Dirt

A writer who hides behind the cloak of anonymity makes some remarks about advertising results in various papers and chooses to make comparisons detrimental to this publication.

In the first place, a man who lacks the courage to sign his name to such statements is taking unfair advantage which fair minded people will recognize for what it amounts to.

In the second place, any such remarks when made should be backed up with facts which would indicate that the writer has sufficient knowledge to show that he is able to determine such facts in the only honest way that such facts can be obtained and that is by regular use of space in each of the publications concerned and in the second place, by a definite table or schedule of results based on actual cost per inch, per 1000 circulation.

This writer fails to do in every instance, leaving doubt in the mind of thinking people as to whether there is not animosity and ill feeling for some reason behind such remarks and thus, in the minds of fair minded people, condemning his own statements.

However, so long as publishers will permit Dizzy Dopes to hide behind questionable aliases and dish dirt for purely personal reasons, we can expect to find such material printed, but such material can not mislead thinking people.

There is seldom a week goes by without we receive unsolicited, letters that speak the opinion of people who use space in this publication and as users of space certainly know what they are talking about.

Here are quotations from two letters. The first is from a new advertiser who used a two inch space only in our issue of September 10. The firm is a comparatively new one and the writer speaks for himself.

The second quotation below is from a dealer who uses ALL the weekly magazines as well as some other papers. He has been an advertiser for several years past and is therefore as highly qualified as any dealer in America to express an opinion.

Both of these letters along with others are in our files for examination by anyone who chooses to question the statements.

"My ad of Sept. 10 in your magazine was the best \$2.50 I ever spent for advertising and I would like to have your rate card. You would be surprised and so was I at the number of people who answered that ad."

"I have found that dollar for dollar, your paper gives more business."

DOLLAR FOR DOLLAR YOU GET MORE FROM LINN'S

U. S. May Augment Air Pick-Up System By Use Of New Glider Planes

With the curtailing in regular air-mail routes throughout the country, due to the fact that a majority of the planes that have been operating them have been taken over by the national defense agencies, there is a strong possibility that the nation may soon enjoy a complete system of pick-up air-mail lines, at present operated in several of the States by All American Aviation, Inc., of Wilmington, Del.

All American Aviation can use single-engine equipment, and its planes are not of sufficient size to be used as cargo carriers, now required by the War Department. In addition All American planes do not transport passengers. Single-engine planes, not wanted by our national defense forces, are available for operating the very mail service carried on by All American Aviation, and this fact will no doubt prove of the greatest advantage in All American securing whatever equipment it may desire in carrying on its pick-up air-mail service.

At present All American Aviation operates in six states: West Virginia, Pennsylvania, New York, Delaware, Ohio and Kentucky, covering 112 communities. The number of towns is almost one-half those served by all the trunk air lines together. The routes cover 1,386 miles, and service is provided on two daily schedules.

There are pending before the Civil Aeronautics Board applications from All American Aviation to establish similar pick-up routes in twenty-six additional States which would serve 1,400 communities without air service at present, and would add about 25,000 route-miles to the existing air-line system.

Postmaster-General Walker, has announced that he was gratified to learn of the recent successful demonstrations of gliders being picked up from the ground by an airplane flying at more than 100 miles per hour at the Army Air Forces' Material Center, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio. This, the Postmaster-General said he had been advised, was a direct application of the principle of the air mail pickup service which has been in opera-

AIR MAIL COVERS

SAMUEL S. GOLDSTICKER, JR. (Dept. Ed.) 453 Mt. Prospect Avenue Newark, N. J.

Wings Airport in Michigan was dedicated on October 4th, and a special three-line cachet (sponsored by the M. C. A. M. S.) was applied to all airmail covers mailed at the event. Covers are cancelled at Utica, Mich., (the nearest postoffice) at 5-30 P. M. The number of covers mailed at the event is not yet known.

The airport dedication at La-Grande, Oreg., scheduled for October 11th has been postponed to a later date.

An interesting exhibit of over 200 frames and a lively bourse highlighted the Middle-Atlantic Regional Meeting at Philadelphia on October 9th, 10th, 11th. This Department Editor attended this affair, and had a very enjoyable time meeting outstanding collectors in the field of aero-philately. Other features of the meeting included a banquet well-attended a high spirited auction of 150 lots and a jamboree which lasted well into the following morning. Congratulations should be extended to the host club, the Philadelphia Airmail Society, for doing such a fine job of this affair.

tion by the Post Office Department for the past three years.

These successful tests of this new glider-launching technique, which the War Department has said contemplates its application to the Army Air Force's heaviest transport gliders, and similarly, which may eventually be adapted to the pickup of large commercial freight and passenger glider trains, is evidence, the Postmaster General stated, of the value of the pickup service not only to the air mail postal facilities, but also to the armed forces as a modern instrumentality of aerial warfare.

—New York Sun.

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America's First College Sport Is Neglected On World's Postage Stamps

By David Lidman

The World Series is over, baseball has sung its swan song for 1942, and now King Winter is taking the reigns of sport. We have football, and soon there will come soccer, ice skating, skiing and sledding. Throughout the world—from ancient days to modern times—men and women have been displaying their talents as athletes, no matter the season. And the nations of the world have marked these activities with postage stamps.

Collecting stamps portraying sports or sporting and athletic events is especially interesting. The stamps, generally, are not too highly priced, and are among philately's outstanding pictorial exhibitions, many being of striking design and color.

U. S. Football Excepted.

About every subject of sports nature has been pictured. One major exception is American football. Soccer football has been noted often, but in the only country where "T" means something beside a letter in the alphabet, no notice has been taken philatelically.

The United States has issued stamps portraying sports, the latest in 1939 to mark a century of baseball. Some seven years earlier, for the 10th Olympiad, stamps were issued for the winter sports at Lake Placid and the outdoor games at Los Angeles. Hunters have their duck stamps, but basketball and Izaak Walton's followers have been placed in the same category as football—forgotten.

The first stamps issued in commemoration of a sports event were the series by Greece in 1896 for the revival of the Olympic Games in Athens.

Throughout the Americas there have been international events, too, Olympic Games on a somewhat smaller scale, and these meetings have been marked by the host nation's post office.

Subjects Widely Varied.

The subjects are many: archery, stadia, athletes, victory symbols, automobile racing, baseball, basketball (which is one of the popular sports in Europe), bicycling, bobsledding, boxing, bull-fighting, camping, ancient chariot

racing, equestrian sports, fencing, the various track and field events, the flag game (popular in Switzerland) gymnastics, hiking, horse racing, hunting, curling, motorcycling, mountain climbing, physical culture, rowing, ice skating, skiing, soccer football, the sokols of Central Europe, water sports, including swimming and yachting; tennis, wrestling and even a tug of war. —Chicago Sun.

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For some weeks past we have offered the Unit System Album pages, left over from the old Linprint stock from Columbus. At this time, practically all of the material except that listed below is sold out. It is but natural that in stocking and making these Units, the most wanted and most desirable ones were made in the largest quantity and as a result, the lesser wanted items are sold, while there is still a considerable supply of the three best Units in the stock.

These three Units are No. 1, for all Commemorative stamps in single copies. No. 6 for all 20th century regular postage stamps issued in sheets and No. 7 for all 19th century postage stamps.

Thus it is still possible for collectors who do not go in for the less interesting issues, to get a fine set of album pages for ALL the regular postage issues, both 19th and 20th century, including of course the Commemoratives.

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Check List Of The Punched O. H. M. S. Stamps Of Canada

(Compiled by Geo. W. Linn)

The publication in recent issues of this paper, of notes and information about the Officially punched O. H. M. S. stamps of Canada has resulted in the receipt of information from several sources and permits the construction of a new and what we believe is a complete listing of the known varieties. Our thanks for assistance with this list is due to Mr. Leslie Da. venport of Toronto, Canada; Mr. William T. Norris of Belfast, Maine and Mr. J. C. Rosenbaum of Montreal.

Since the authority for their issue and use has been explained in previous issues of this paper it is unnecessary to repeat that here.

It should be borne in mind however that the original first Type of punching, the large letters with five holes in the vertical lines of the H and the M were originally put in use in much the same manner as the Punched initial stamps used by many large business firms and that these stamps were not recognized by the Canadian Government as OFFICIAL STAMPS. However, the small size punching in which there are but four punch holes in the vertical strokes of the H and the M are authorized by the Canadian Government for use as OFFICIAL STAMPS and are therefore entitled to the same recognition as the Official Issues of the United States.

A large part of the listing printed below is from the list originally made by the British Columbia Philatelic Society.

TYPE I—FIVE HOLE OH MS

(Punched from face of the stamp)
Scott Catalogue Numbers used.

- 1912-1925 King George V
105 1c yellow (22)
107 2c yellow green (22)
108 3c brown (18)
109 3c carmine (23)
112 5c violet (22)
5c red violet G-253
113 7c olive bistre
115 8c blue (25)
117 10c blue (22)
118 10c bistre brown (25)
10c yellow brown G-255
119 20c olive green
120 50c gray black
122 \$1.00 orange
Numbers in () are earliest known year of use.

- 1927 Confederation Commemorative
142 2c green
143 3c brown carmine
144 5c violet

1927 Historical Issue

- 148 20c brown carmine

1928-1929 King George V

- 150 2c green (28)
153 5c deep violet (28)
155 10c green (28)
157 20c dark carmine (29)
158 50c dark blue (29)
159 \$1.00 olive green

1930-1931 King George V

- 163 1c deep green II (30)
163a 1c deep green I (30)
165a 2c deep red I (30)
167 3c deep red II (31)
173 10c olive green (30)
175 20c brown red (30)
176 50c dull blue (30)
177 \$1.00 olive green
190 10c dark green (30)

1932 King George V

- 195 1c dark green
196 2c black brown
197 3c deep red

- 199 5c dark blue.
201 13c violet

1933 Postal Union

- 202 5c dark blue
1933 Grain Exhibition Issue
203 20c brown red
1935 Pictorial Issue
224 13c violet
226 50c dull violet

1937 King George VI

- 231 1c green
232 2c brown
233 3c carmine
234 4c yellow
235 5c blue
236 8c orange

1938 Pictorial Issue

- 241a 10c dark carmine
242 13c deep blue
243 20c red brown

1939 Canadian-American Tour

- 246 1c green & black
248 3c dark carmine & black

1939 Air Mail Issue

- C6 6c blue

VARIETIES OF FIVE HOLE TYPE I

(Punched from back of stamp instead of face)

- 1939 Imperial Conference Issue
193 5c blue
Also numbers 109, 122, 175, 190, 196, 197, 202.

(Punched from face of stamp, inverted)

- 1930-1931 King George V
165 2c deep red II (30)
Also numbers 153, 163, 175, 176, 190, 197, 202.

(Punched from back of stamp, inverted)

- Numbers 197, 202.

(Punched from face of stamp with top of punching to right)

- 1937 Coronation Issue
237 3c carmine
Also numbers 233, 241, 241a.
NOTE—The Five Hole, Type I punched stamps were issued prior to June 29, 1939.

The Four Hole, Type II were issued since that date.

TYPE II—FOUR HOLE OH MS

(Punched from face of stamp with top of punching to left).

- 1935 R. C. M. P.
223 10c carmine
1937 King George VI

- 231 1c green
232 2c brown
233 3c carmine
234 4c yellow
235 5c blue
236 8c orange

1938 Memorial Chamber

- 241 10c carmine rose
241a 10c dark carmine

1939 Canadian-American Tour

- 246 1c green & black
247 2c brown & black

1942 Canada's War Effort

The entire 1942 issue, including postage, Airmail, Special Delivery and Airmail Special is available with OHMS punching. We omit listing by number as we are uncertain of the position of the punching.

(Punched from face of stamp in normal position).

- 1935 Pictorial Issue
226 50c dull violet
1938 Pictorial Issue
242 13c deep blue
243 20c red brown
244 50 green

Handsome Monthly Prizes Will Now Be Offered For Linn's Star Reporters

We want star reporters from every part of America. Each month we will offer a prize to the leading Star Reporter for the month. All you need do is send us clippings from other papers, weekly or monthly stamp papers are not wanted as we get them here. Principally clippings from magazines or newspapers that have a stampic flavor or that may be rewritten to get something of a philatelic story out of them. You may write the item yourself or send us the clipping. Send us any news about stamps or stamp collectors, principally news about collectors in your own city. News of any kind about stamps and stamp people, about local dealers, about what happened at your club, in fact any information of any kind. Write each item or news story separately, send as many different as you can and each month a prize will be given to the one who sends the most. It makes no difference whether we print your story or item, you get credit for having tried to supply something and when printed we will print your name at the end of the item with a star following your name.

Starting now, we will run the first series of articles through November. Effective from date of this paper to the end of November, every item received from you will be credited with a star. At the end of November, the person having accumulated the largest number of stars will be recognized as the Star Reporter for that month and an award will be made. At the same time, the names of the winner and the next two contestants will be printed. The prize for the November Star Reporter will be a handsome book made by Rapkins of London, medium size collectors duplicate This book retails at \$1.50 and is of the finest quality and will be a proud possession of the winner.

Girl's Companion Article Fails To Cover Subject

A writer in a magazine called The Girls' Companion has a column on stamp collecting and starts off the column of October 4, 1942 with the statement that "Stamp collecting is the most universal of all boy and girl hobbies, but lacks one thing—it doesn't give its followers a chance to be creative."

Whoever told the writer of that statement that he was a stamp collector, has made a mistake, for any stamp collector can point out innumerable ways in which stamp stamp collecting will lend itself to creative work.

- 245 \$1.00 dull violet

- 1939 Canadian-American Tour
246 1c green & black
247 3c brown & black

AIR MAIL

- 1928 C1 5c brown violet
1938 C6 6c blue

SPECIAL DELIVERY

- 1959 E7 10c dark green

(Punched from face of stamp with top of punching to the right)

Previously listed numbers—231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 241, 241a, 246, 247.

(Punched from face of stamp, inverted)

Previously listed numbers—226, 242, 243, 244, C1, C6, E7.

DOUBLE PUNCHING

The following numbers are known wherein the punching has been made two or more times on the same stamp.

Previously mentioned numbers—226, 231, 232, 233, 235, 241a, 244, C6.

OTHER VARIETIES

PAIRS—Pairs of stamps in which one stamp has been punched and the other is without the punching.

Previously listed number—242.

PRINTER OF CANADA'S REVENUE STAMPS UNKNOWN

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Bank Note Company of New York. This issue is found on two distinct papers and in several perforations.

The first issues of the Revenue Stamps of Canada were general issues for the entire Dominion, but in the same year, 1864 Law Stamps for the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec were also issued, both issues being prepared by the American Bank Note Company of New York.

The plates in the front of the catalogue illustrate almost 100 different types or varieties of design and the issues of later years as well as many of the early ones are beautiful examples of engraving.

A sizeable and very attractive collection can be built at a moderate cost, yet on the other hand, the issues abound in varieties which are listed at substantial figures indicating that the watchful and studious collector may find much of value in cheaply acquired lots of the stamps.

This new catalogue of Canada's Revenue Stamps is the result of years of study and research by the members of the society and a final compilation by Mr. E. A. Odell. The result was then edited and arranged for production by Mr. French.

The catalogue is of the loose leaf type, on pages 6x9 inches in size, on paper of substantial quality and punched to fit a standard three ring binder of that size. There are 64 pages with title and introduction also five pages of plates and the price is \$1.00. The catalogues may be obtained from the society by addressing Mr. R. DeL. French, c/o McGill University, Montreal, Canada, or from the publisher of Linn's Weekly Stamp News.

ALL CATALOGUE NUMBERS quoted in this paper are those from Scott's Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue, unless otherwise specified.

Plans For World Stamp Show In 1947 Now Being Made By National Ass'n.

Laying of plans for the 1947 International Stamp Exhibition, to be held in all probability in New York, was discussed during the meeting last week of the Association of Stamp Exhibitions, held at the Collectors Club.

It was the consensus of opinion of the directors that it was not too early to start laying the groundwork for this show, despite the war. Note was made that it was the duty of the association to be ready to go ahead as soon as the war was ended, and that this could only be done by starting the preliminary work now.

— New York Sun.

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Reporters Wanted

Every reader of Linn's Weekly is invited to become a Star Reporter. Each month, to the reader who sends the largest number of news items, either clippings from papers or written notes, a handsome prize will be awarded along with recognition as the Star Reporter for the month. All items received from the first day to the last day of any month will be counted in that month. You are awarded a star for each single item sent, send as many as you can and get a star for each.

At the end of each month, suitable award will be made and your name, together with the next two on the list will be printed and your prize awarded. Let us have all the news from your club. A postal card will do. Get us the news about stamps and stamp collectors, either clippings or briefly written notes of your own observation.